from you soon, as the time draws near. I cannot say that I will comply with your request; but there will be no disappointment, if I should not

Your friend & brother

L. Osgood

Rev. A. A. Phelps

Will you have the goodness to ask Mr. Adams

Rev. L. Osgood
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Brother Phelps

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On my return from Maine after an absence of several weeks, I found a letter from you requesting me to deliver a discourse during the Anniversaries & I have been away from my people so long that I had not thought of attending the meetings this Spring, & I do not know that I could do any thing to advance the cause if I should attempt it — & I cannot positively engage. I have thought however that I would prepare a discourse on the text "Thou shalt love thy neighbor &c" & preach it to my own people. If I should conclude to do so, & should find it convenient to attend, could I not take a second turn, as you say you intend to have two or three discourses — Will you give me a brief of some important ideas, which I can work up for the occasion? I wish to do every thing in my power for the cause of human rights — Let me hear